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Teaches Physics

El Camino Instructor Enjoys 'Man's Field'

"It's what I wanted to do." That's the response from Mrs. Geraldine Karpel, El Camino College instructor, when asked why she chose a teaching career in physics. Mrs. Karpel, now in her 10th year of teaching at ECC, is a dedicated physicist in addition to being a firm believer in the function of women in today's career world.

"People often ask me why I majored in physics. The question isn't strange, since I am usually asked this because I am a woman," Mrs. Karpel said.

The instructor believes strongly that young women should be encouraged to develop a feeling of independence as individuals. "In her teens, a girl should be planning a future in a career or as a participant in whatever area stirs her imagination," Mrs. Karpel stressed.

"If NOT, later she may suddenly awake and ask, 'What have I done with myself?' Marriage and children need not be excluded from a woman's life, but to plan a life solely around such goals is unhealthy for the woman

and the society which exclusively encourages such goals," she contends. Mrs. Karpel attended the University of California at Los Angeles, where she obtained her B.A. and M.A. degrees. Her teaching experience began at the university, where she was a teaching assistant in physics. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Mrs. Karpel graduated summa cum laude, with highest honors in physics. She has served also as the

vice president for junior colleges of the American Association of Physics Teachers. Mrs. Karpel notes an increasing number of students conscientiously interested in studying physics today. She is proud of the caliber of

students who complete the course at El Camino.

FOR HER most unique experience, Mrs. Karpel cites her first day of teaching at ECC. After an hour of explanation and introduction of the physics course, Mrs. Karpel asked the students if they had any further questions. One, in disbelief, immediately asked, "Who's the teacher?"

Mrs. Karpel now resides with her artist husband, Eli, in Pacific Palisades. Mr. Karpel is an associate professor of art history at Pierce College.



GERALDINE KARPEL
Sound Waves

Volunteers Sought by Red Cross

Women who like to work with people, type, act as receptionists, or prepare or serve food are needed as volunteers with the Red Cross blood program.

Mrs. James Rayner, Torrance-Lomita Red Cross Branch staff-aide chairman, needs women to work at the Nov. 18 bloodmobile to be held from 2 to 6:30 p.m. at the Elk's Lodge, 1820 Abalone St.

Periodical visits of the mobile collection unit here for public blood banks and bloodmobiles at local industries require the help of receptionists, typists, canteen workers, and donor room aides.

In addition to the specific lack of volunteers for the Nov. 18 visit of the bloodmobile, Mrs. Rayner said additional help is needed in all phases of the blood program here.

On-the-job training will be provided for any interested people who call the Red Cross at TE 2-8321.

Volunteer clerical help also is needed on a regular basis at the district Red Cross.

'Mixer' for Members Set By Chamber

To celebrate the conclusion of a successful membership campaign and to welcome new members, the Torrance Chamber of Commerce will hold a "Membership mixer" at the chamber building, 1510 Cravens Ave., from 5 to 6:30 p.m., Nov. 16. All members are invited to attend.

Heading the group in charge of the event is Charles T. Cederlof, chamber director and chairman of the Membership Relations Committee. The "mixer" will recognize the achievements of the "Keep Pace With Opportunity" program and campaign which was recently conducted by the chamber, enable new and old members to meet, and feature refreshments and door prizes.

Serving as committee members with Cederlof are James P. Becker, John T. Flanagan, Dan Ingram, Donald L. Taylor, Robert H. Vroman and Roger E. Wright.

Repair Work Due on Freeway

Bids for a repair job on the San Diego Freeway near Torrance will be opened Dec. 9 in Los Angeles.

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